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Prospective Applicant Coconino National Forest Campground/Concessionaire Prospectus

Dear Prospective Applicant,

The Coconino National Forest advertised a Campground Concession "Pre-Solicitation" packet on August 11, 2021 informing interested parties of an upcoming campground concession opportunity. The initial offering included 30 government-owned recreation facilities on the Red Rock, Flagstaff and Mogollon Rim Ranger Districts.

The forest has decided to withdraw four sites on the Mogollon Rim Ranger District: Moqui Group Use Campground, Blue Ridge Campground, Rock Crossing Campground, and Knoll Lake Campground. The Mogollon Rim currently does not have any concessionaire-run facilities or campgrounds.

These sites are being removed due to:

- A commitment to the public to maintain the current fee structure as per public comment
- Maintain existing public interaction with United States Forest Service (USFS) employees at the campgrounds
- Maintenance and construction of campgrounds is the responsibility of USFS employees
 - Removing these duties results in a significant decrease in seasonal workforce employment

The existing campground/concessionaire permits are scheduled to expire December 31, 2022. The forest anticipates advertising a campground prospectus in the spring of 2022. The forest will complete the application evaluation process and make a selection in mid to late fall 2022. The successful applicant will begin operations January 1, 2023.





If you have any questions and/or comments regarding the withdrawal of the four sites from the upcoming prospectus, please contact Mark Goshorn, Recreation Special Uses Permit Administrator at (928) 203-7525 or mark.goshorn@usda.gov.

Thank you for your interest in the Coconino National Forest.

Sincerely,

LAURA JØ WEST

Forest Supervisor